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Serial	No. 09/409,792	)	
Filed:	September 30, 1999	)	
For:	EXHALATION VALVE FOR	)	
	FACE MASK WITH SPACER	)	
	CHAMBER CONNECTION	)	

#### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the obligation under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97-1.99, Applicant hereby submits the following references for consideration by the Examiner. Copies of each of the following have been enclosed along with the form PTO-1449:

#### FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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### **EXPLANATION OF THE REFERENCES**

As of the day of filing of this information disclosure statement, a first office action on the merits has not been received by the undersigned. Accordingly, no fee for consideration of the information provided with this disclosure statement is included herewith, as permitted by 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). However, if an office action on the merits is mailed on a date prior hereto, Applicant hereby requests and authorizes the Commissioner to charge Deposit Account 23-1925 for the appropriate fee of \$180 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) for consideration of the information set forth in this disclosure statement.

Applicant requests to have these references included in the record of this application. Applicant further requests that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of each reference. It is believed that none of these references, alone or in proper combination, discloses or suggests the subject matter claimed by Applicant.

Applicant does not represent any of these references to be prior art and Applicant reserves the right to disqualify any references by the showing of an earlier date of invention, if appropriate.

Respectfully Submitted.

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